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Applicant: Gerardo Hidalgo Llinás, et al.

Serial No.: Not yet assigned) Re: Preliminary Amendment
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For: "PREPARATION AND USE OF HETEROGENEOUS CATALYST COMPONENTS FOR OLEFINS POLYMERIZATION") Date: April 27, 1999
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, it is respectfully requested that the following amendments be made to the claims:

IN THE CLAIMS

- Claim 4, line 1 Please change "claims 1-2" to --claim 2--
- Claim 5, line 1 Please change "claims 1-3" to --claim 1--
- Claim 7, line 1 Please change "claims 1-6" to --claim 6--
- Claim 8, line 2 Please change "claims 1-7" to --claim 6--

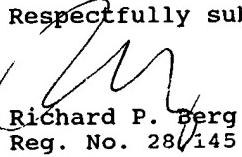
Please add the following new claims

- 10. Heterogeneous catalytic component according to claim 1 wherein in the metallocene compound at least one L is a fluorenyl or octahydrofluorenyl ring.
- 11. Heterogeneous catalytic system comprising the heterogeneous catalytic component of claim 1 and a cocatalyst selected from the group consisting of:
 alkylaluminoxane, trilakylaluminum, Lewis acid and mixtures thereof.
- 12. Process for the polymerization of alpha olefins in slurry, in gas phase, in bulk or in solution characterized by the use of the catalyst of claim 11.--

REMARKS

Amendment of the subject application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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